

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

OLD NATIONAL BANCORP, and)	
1834 INVESTMENT ADVISORS CO.,)	
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Plaintiffs,))	
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v.))	Case No. 24-cv-12683
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MATTHEW BAPPERT, and))	Judge Georgia N. Alexakis
BMO BANK N.A., d/b/a))	
BMO Investment Services,))	Magistrate Judge Jeffrey Cole
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Defendants.))	

AGREED CONFIDENTIALITY ORDER

The parties to this Agreed Confidentiality Order (the “Order”) have agreed to the terms of this Order; accordingly, it is ORDERED:

1. **Scope.** All materials produced or adduced in the course of discovery, including initial disclosures, responses to discovery requests, deposition testimony and exhibits, and information derived directly therefrom (hereinafter collectively “documents”), shall be subject to this Order concerning Protected Information as defined below. This Order is subject to the Local Rules of this District and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on matters of procedure and calculation of time periods.

2. **Protected Information.** As used in this Order, “Protected Information” means information designated as “Confidential” or “Attorneys’ Eyes Only” by the producing party that falls within one or more of the following categories: (a) information prohibited from disclosure by statute; (b) information that reveals trade secrets; (c) research, technical, commercial or financial information that a party or non-party has maintained as confidential; (d) medical

information concerning any individual; (e) personal identity information; (f) income tax returns (including attached schedules and forms), W-2 forms and 1099 forms; or (g) personnel or employment records of a person who is not a party to the case. Information or documents that are available to the public may not be designated as Protected Information.

3. Designation.

(a) A party or non-party may designate a document as Confidential for protection under this Order by placing or affixing the words “CONFIDENTIAL - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER” on the document and on all copies in a manner that will not interfere with the legibility of the document. A party or non-party may designate a document as Attorneys’ Eyes Only for protection under this Order by placing or affixing the words “ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER” on the document and on all copies in a manner that will not interfere with the legibility of the document. As used in this Order, “copies” includes electronic images, duplicates, extracts, summaries or descriptions that contain the Confidential Information. The marking “CONFIDENTIAL - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER” or “ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER” shall be applied prior to or at the time of the documents are produced or disclosed. Applying the marking “CONFIDENTIAL - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER” or “ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER” to a document does not mean that the document has any status or protection by statute or otherwise except to the extent and for the purposes of this Order. Any copies that are made of any documents marked “CONFIDENTIAL - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER” or “ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER” shall also be so marked, except that indices, electronic databases or lists of documents that do not contain substantial portions or images of the text of marked documents and do not

otherwise disclose the substance of the Protected Information are not required to be marked.

(b) The designation of a document as Protected Information is a certification by an attorney or a party appearing *pro se* that the document contains Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only information as defined in this order.¹ All Attorneys' Eyes Only designations must be based on the good faith belief that the information constitutes highly confidential, proprietary or trade secret information, would create a risk of significant harm to the designating party or would otherwise lead to a competitive advantage to a competitor of the designating party if the information were not designated or confidential client information requiring protection above and beyond that which is afforded by this Order to documents marked "CONFIDENTIAL - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER."

4. Depositions.

Unless all parties and participating non-parties agree on the record at the time the deposition testimony is taken, all deposition testimony taken in this case shall be treated as Confidential, and any portions of deposition testimony regarding or relating to documents previously identified as Attorneys' Eyes Only shall be treated as Attorneys' Eyes Only, until the expiration of the following: if the transcript is delivered prior to April 10, 2025, then no later than the earlier of April 13, 2025 or the fourteenth day after the transcript is delivered to any party or the witness; if the transcript is delivered on or after April 10, 2025, no more than two business days after the transcript is delivered to any party or the witness. Within this time period, a party or non-party may serve a Notice of Designation to all parties of record and participating

¹ An attorney who reviews the documents and designates them as Protected Information must be admitted to the Bar of at least one state but need not be admitted to practice in the Northern District of Illinois unless the lawyer is appearing generally in the case on behalf of a party. By designating documents as Protected Information pursuant to this Order, counsel submits to the jurisdiction and sanctions of this Court on the subject matter of the designation.

non-parties of record as to specific portions of the testimony that are designated Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only, and thereafter only those portions identified in the Notice of Designation shall be protected by the terms of this Order. The failure to serve a timely Notice of Designation shall waive any designation of testimony taken in that deposition as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

5. Protection of Confidential Material.

(a) General Protections. Protected Information shall not be used or disclosed by the parties, counsel for the parties or any other persons identified in subparagraph (b) for any purpose whatsoever other than in this litigation, including any appeal thereof.

(b) Limited Third-Party Disclosures. The parties and counsel for the parties shall not disclose or permit the disclosure of any Confidential information to any third person or entity except as set forth in subparagraphs (1)-(9). Subject to these requirements, the following categories of persons may be allowed to review Confidential information:

- (1) Counsel. Counsel for the parties and employees of counsel who have responsibility for this lawsuit;
- (2) Parties. Individual parties and employees of a party but only to the extent counsel determines in good faith that the employee's assistance is reasonably necessary to the conduct of the litigation in which the information is disclosed;
- (3) The Court and its personnel;
- (4) Court Reporters and Recorders. Court reporters and recorders engaged for depositions;
- (5) Contractors. Those persons specifically engaged for the limited purpose of making copies of documents or organizing or processing documents, including outside vendors hired to process electronically stored documents, but only after such persons have completed the certification contained in Attachment A, Acknowledgment of Understanding and Agreement to Be Bound;

- (6) Consultants and Experts. Consultants, investigators, or experts employed by the parties or counsel for the parties to assist in the preparation and trial of this action but only after such persons have completed the certification contained in Attachment A, Acknowledgment of Understanding and Agreement to Be Bound;
- (7) Witnesses at depositions. During their depositions and in preparation for their deposition, witnesses in this action to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary. Witnesses shall not retain a copy of documents containing Confidential information, except witnesses may receive a copy of all exhibits marked at their depositions in connection with review of the transcripts. Pages of transcribed deposition testimony or exhibits to depositions that are designated as Confidential pursuant to the process set out in this Order must be separately bound by the court reporter and may not be disclosed to anyone except as permitted under this Order;
- (8) Author or recipient. The author or recipient of the document (not including a person who received the document in the course of litigation); and
- (9) Others by Consent. Other persons only by written consent of the producing party or upon order of the Court and on such conditions as may be agreed or ordered.

(c) Attorneys' Eyes Only Disclosures. The parties and counsel for the parties shall not disclose or permit the disclosure of any Attorneys' Eyes Only information to any third person or entity except as set forth in subparagraphs (1)-(7). Subject to these requirements, the following categories of persons may be allowed to review Attorneys' Eyes Only information:

- (1) The Court, or any Court personnel, and any court reporter or videographer recording or transcribing testimony in a deposition or hearing in this lawsuit; and
- (2) Counsel, including in-house counsel (but only for purposes of this lawsuit and not for any business role the in-house counsel may have) and outside counsel, for the Parties, as well as counsel's paralegals, law clerks, and clerical staff (inclusive of contractors engaged for the limited purpose of making copies of documents or organizing or processing documents such as outside vendors hired to process electronically stored information) who are providing assistance with this lawsuit; and

- (3) any person identified from the four corners of the information, document or thing itself as having authored or previously received the information, document or thing;
- (4) Contractors. Those persons specifically engaged for the limited purpose of making copies of documents or organizing or processing documents, including outside vendors hired to process electronically stored documents, but only after such persons have completed the certification contained in Attachment A, Acknowledgment of Understanding and Agreement to Be Bound;
- (5) Experts. Experts employed by the parties or counsel for the parties to assist in the preparation and trial of this action but only after such persons have completed the certification contained in Attachment A, Acknowledgment of Understanding and Agreement to Be Bound;
- (6) Other persons who may be specifically designated by consent of all attorneys of record or pursuant to an Order of the Court, but only after such persons have completed the certification contained in Attachment A, Acknowledgment of Understanding and Agreement to Be Bound; and
- (7) Witnesses at depositions. During their depositions, witnesses in this action to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary. Any such witness may only view, discuss and review Attorneys' Eyes Only information under the following conditions and a witness may not (1) keep a copy of the Attorneys' Eyes Only materials; (2) view the Attorneys' Eyes Only materials outside the direct supervision of counsel; (3) take notes concerning the content of the Attorneys' Eyes Only materials; (4) discuss or disclose the contents of the Attorneys' Eyes Only materials, other than with or to legal counsel; and/or use the Attorneys' Eyes Only materials for any purpose other than in connection with the prosecution or defense of this lawsuit.

(d) Control of Documents. Counsel for the parties shall make reasonable efforts to prevent unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure of Protected Information. Counsel shall maintain the originals of the forms signed by persons acknowledging their obligations under this Order for a period of three years after the termination of the case.

6. Inadvertent Failure to Designate. An inadvertent failure to designate a document

as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only does not, standing alone, waive the right to so designate the document; provided, however, that a failure to serve a timely Notice of Designation of deposition testimony as required by this Order, even if inadvertent, waives any protection for deposition testimony. If a party or non-party designates a document as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only after it was initially produced, the receiving party, on notification of the designation, must make a reasonable effort to assure that the document is treated in accordance with the provisions of this Order. No party shall be found to have violated this Order for failing to maintain the confidentiality of material during a time when that material has not been designated Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only, even where the failure to so designate was inadvertent and where the material is subsequently designated Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only.

7. Filing of Protected Information. This Order does not, by itself, authorize the filing of any document under seal. Any party wishing to file a document designated as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only in connection with a motion, brief or other submission to the Court must comply with LR 26.2.

8. No Greater Protection of Specific Documents. Except on privilege grounds not addressed by this Order, no party or non-party may withhold or redact information from discovery on the ground that it requires protection greater than that afforded by this Order unless the party moves for and obtains an order providing such special protection. A producing party or non-party that withholds or redacts information from discovery on the grounds of privilege must provide a privilege log containing the information required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26 (b)(5).

9. Challenges by a Party to Designation as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only.

The designation of any material or document as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only is

subject to challenge by any party. The following procedure shall apply to any such challenge.

(a) Meet and Confer. A party challenging the designation of Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only information must do so in good faith and must begin the process by conferring directly with counsel for the designating party. In conferring, the challenging party must explain the basis for its belief that the confidentiality designation was not proper and must give the designating party an opportunity to review the designated material, to reconsider the designation, and, if no change in designation is offered, to explain the basis for the designation. The designating party must respond to the challenge within five (5) business days.

(b) Judicial Intervention. A party that elects to challenge a confidentiality designation may file and serve a motion that identifies the challenged material and sets forth in detail the basis for the challenge. Each such motion must be accompanied by a competent declaration that affirms that the movant has complied with the meet and confer requirements of this procedure. The burden of persuasion in any such challenge proceeding shall be on the designating party or non-party. Until the Court rules on the challenge, all parties shall continue to treat the materials as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only under the terms of this Order.

10. Action by the Court. Applications to the Court for an order relating to materials or documents designated Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only shall be by motion. Nothing in this Order or any action or agreement of a party under this Order limits the Court's power to make orders concerning the disclosure of documents produced in discovery or at trial.

11. Use of Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only Documents or Information at Trial. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to affect the use of any document, material, or information at any trial or hearing. A party that intends to present or that anticipates that another party may present Confidential information or Attorneys' Eyes Only information at a hearing or

trial shall bring that issue to the Court's and parties' attention by motion or in a pretrial memorandum without disclosing the Confidential information or Attorneys' Eyes Only information. The Court may thereafter make such orders as are necessary to govern the use of such documents or information at trial.

12. Confidential Information or Attorneys' Eyes Only Information Subpoenaed or Ordered Produced in Other Litigation.

(a) If a receiving party is served with a subpoena or an order issued in other litigation that would compel disclosure of any material or document designated in this action as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only, the receiving party must so notify the designating party or producing non-party, in writing, immediately and in no event more than three court days after receiving the subpoena or order. Such notification must include a copy of the subpoena or court order.

(b) The receiving party also must immediately inform in writing the party who caused the subpoena or order to issue in the other litigation that some or all of the material covered by the subpoena or order is the subject of this Order. In addition, the receiving party must deliver a copy of this Order promptly to the party in the other action that caused the subpoena to issue.

(c) The purpose of imposing these duties is to alert the interested persons to the existence of this Order and to afford the designating party or producing non-party in this case an opportunity to try to protect its Protected Information in the court from which the subpoena or order issued. The designating party or producing non-party shall bear the burden and the expense of seeking protection in that court of its Protected Information, and nothing in these provisions should be construed as authorizing or encouraging a receiving party in this action to disobey a lawful directive from another court. The obligations set forth in this paragraph remain in effect

while the party has in its possession, custody or control Protected Information by the other party to this case.

13. Challenges by Members of the Public to Sealing Orders. A party or interested member of the public has a right to challenge the sealing of particular documents that have been filed under seal, and the party asserting confidentiality will have the burden of demonstrating the propriety of filing under seal.

14. Obligations on Conclusion of Litigation.

(a) Order Continues in Force. Unless otherwise agreed or ordered, this Order shall remain in force after dismissal or entry of final judgment not subject to further appeal.

(b) Obligations at Conclusion of Litigation. Within sixty-three days after dismissal or entry of final judgment not subject to further appeal, all Confidential information and Attorneys' Eyes Only information and documents marked "CONFIDENTIAL - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER" or "ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER" under this Order, including copies as defined in ¶ 3(a), shall be returned to the producing party unless: (1) the document has been offered into evidence or filed without restriction as to disclosure; (2) the parties agree to destruction to the extent practicable in lieu of return;² or (3) as to documents bearing the notations, summations, or other mental impressions of the receiving party, that party elects to destroy the documents and certifies to the producing party or non-party that it has done so.

(c) Retention of Work Product and one set of Filed Documents.

² The parties may choose to agree that the receiving party shall destroy documents containing Protected Information and certify the fact of destruction, and that the receiving party shall not be required to locate, isolate and return e-mails (including attachments to e-mails) that may include Protected Information contained in deposition transcripts or drafts or final expert reports.

Notwithstanding the above requirements to return or destroy documents, counsel may retain (1) attorney work product, including an index that refers or relates to designated Protected Information so long as that work product does not duplicate verbatim substantial portions of Protected Information, and (2) one complete set of all documents filed with the Court including those filed under seal. Any retained Protected Information shall continue to be protected under this Order. An attorney may use his or her work product in subsequent litigation, provided that its use does not disclose or use Protected Information.

(d) Deletion of Documents filed under Seal from Electronic Case Filing (ECF) System. Filings under seal shall be deleted from the ECF system only upon order of the Court.

15. Order Subject to Modification. This Order shall be subject to modification by the Court on its own initiative or on motion of a party or any other person with standing concerning the subject matter.

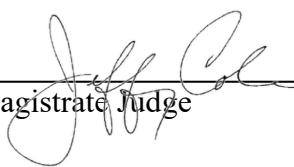
16. No Prior Judicial Determination. This Order is entered based on the representations and agreements of the parties and for the purpose of facilitating discovery. Nothing herein shall be construed or presented as a judicial determination that any document or material designated Protected Information by counsel, the parties, or non-parties is entitled to protection under Rule 26(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or otherwise until such time as the Court may rule on a specific document or issue.

17. Persons Bound. This Order shall take effect when entered and shall be binding upon all counsel of record and their law firms, the parties, and persons made subject to this Order by its terms.

So Ordered.

Dated:
1/30/25

U.S. Magistrate Judge



WE SO MOVE
and agree to abide by the
terms of this Order

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ATTACHMENT A

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**ACKNOWLEDGMENT
AND
AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND**

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that he/she has read the Confidentiality Order dated _____ in the above-captioned action and attached hereto, understands the terms thereof, and agrees to be bound by its terms. The undersigned submits to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois in matters relating to the Agreed Confidentiality Order and understands that the terms of the Agreed Confidentiality Order obligate him/her to use materials designated as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only in accordance with the Order solely for the purposes of the above-captioned action, and not to disclose any such Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only information to any other person, firm or concern.

The undersigned acknowledges that violation of the Agreed Confidentiality Order may result in penalties for contempt of court.

Name: _____

Job Title: _____

Employer: _____

Business Address: _____

Date: _____

Signature

Adopted 06/29/12